# **Public Utilities Commission Agenda**

Thursday, January 24, 2013

9:30 AM start time

**Utilities represented: Telecom, Energy Facilities, Natural Gas, Electricity** 

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# **DELIBERATION ITEMS**

No Items

# **DECISION ITEMS**

\*\*1 P6586/M-11-910 Global Connection Inc. of America Petition approved with conditions.

In the Matter of the Petition of Global Connection, Inc. for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in Minnesota.

Should the Commission approve Global Connection's petition for ETC designation? (PUC: **Briefing Papers - O'Grady**)

\*2 IP6828/CN-09-937; Pleasant Valley Wind, LLC IP6828/WS-09-1197

Request to extend Certificate of Need in-service date granted; request to amend site permit granted with additional modifications.

In the Matter of the Application of Pleasant Valley Wind LLC for a Certificate of Need for up to 301 MW at the Pleasant Valley Project in Dodge and Mower Counties in Southeastern Minnesota; In the Matter of the Application of Pleasant Valley Wind, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit for the 301 MW Pleasant Valley Wind Project in Dodge and Mower Counties.

Should the Commission grant the request to extend the certificate of need in-service date? Should the Commission grant the request to amend the site permit to extend by two years the period of time by which it must obtain a power purchase agreement and commence construction? Should the Commission extend the term of the site permit 30 years if amended? (PUC: Briefing Papers - Ek)

# \*3 ET2/CN-12-1235

#### **Great River Energy**

Approved notice plan as modified by DOC, variance requests, and exemption request as modified by the parties.

In the Matter of the Application of Great River Energy for a Certificate of Need for a 115 kV Transmission Line Project in the Elko New Market and Cleary Lake Areas in Scott and Rice Counties, Minnesota.

Should the Commission approve the proposed notice plan?
Should the Commission approve the exemption request? (PUC: Briefing Papers - Ek)

#### \*\*4 ET2/TL-08-1474

# Great River Energy; Xcel Energy

Tabled request to adjust alignment of route; held Commission's decision of 11-5-12 in abeyance; requested EFP and Applicant to confer and reassess original, north and south alignment options and publish a notice seeking additional public comment.

In the Matter of the Route Permit Application for a 345 kV Transmission Line from Brookings County, South Dakota to Hampton, Minnesota.

Should the Commission approve the Applicant's proposed alignment on the North side of Hwy 62 between structures 110 and 112 on the County Road 62 portion of the Helena Substation to Chub Lake Substation Segment? (PUC: <u>Briefing Papers</u> - Kaluzniak, Eknes)

# \*\*5 G002/M-12-248

Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of Deferred Accounting for Costs to Comply with Gas Pipeline Safety Programs.

Should the Commission approve Xcel's request for deferred accounting treatment for incremental integrity management program costs? (PUC: <u>Briefing Papers</u> - Harding)

<sup>\*</sup> One star indicates agenda item is unusual but is not disputed.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)